

# INVEST IN WEST VIRGINIA OIL STOCKS.

The Sand Fork Oil & Gas Company, with authorized capital of \$1,000,000, incorporated under the laws of West Virginia, was organized especially for the purpose and intent of drilling or boring for oil and gas in the Sand Fork oil fields of Lewis county, West Virginia. The organizers or promoters of this company secured valuable oil and gas leases on 1,900 acres of land favorably located, and having sold and transferred the leases to the company, and being the owners of \$500,000 of the capital stock of said company, full paid and non-assessable, take this method of raising the necessary capital to drill wells and develop the property. They offer the \$500,000 of capital stock at 5 cents on the dollar. All stock will be full paid and non-assessable. Shares are \$10 each, par value, therefore one share will sell for 50c, which will fully pay for the stock and will be non-assessable. This stock will not be sold in lots of less than twenty shares, which will require \$10, but will be sold in lots of twenty shares or more as may be desired.

Every dollar derived from the sale of this stock will be used in the development of the company's property. There is not a member of the company that will make one penny other than by the advancement of the value of the stock, and every stockholder will be on the same footing in this respect. There is no preferred stock; it must all advance alike.

Those who wish to take immediate advantage of this offer and are unable to call at office, can advise by mail or telephone, and forward checks, P. O. order, express order or N. Y. draft for the amount to cover the purchase of stock desired. Certificates of stock will be issued and forwarded to address.

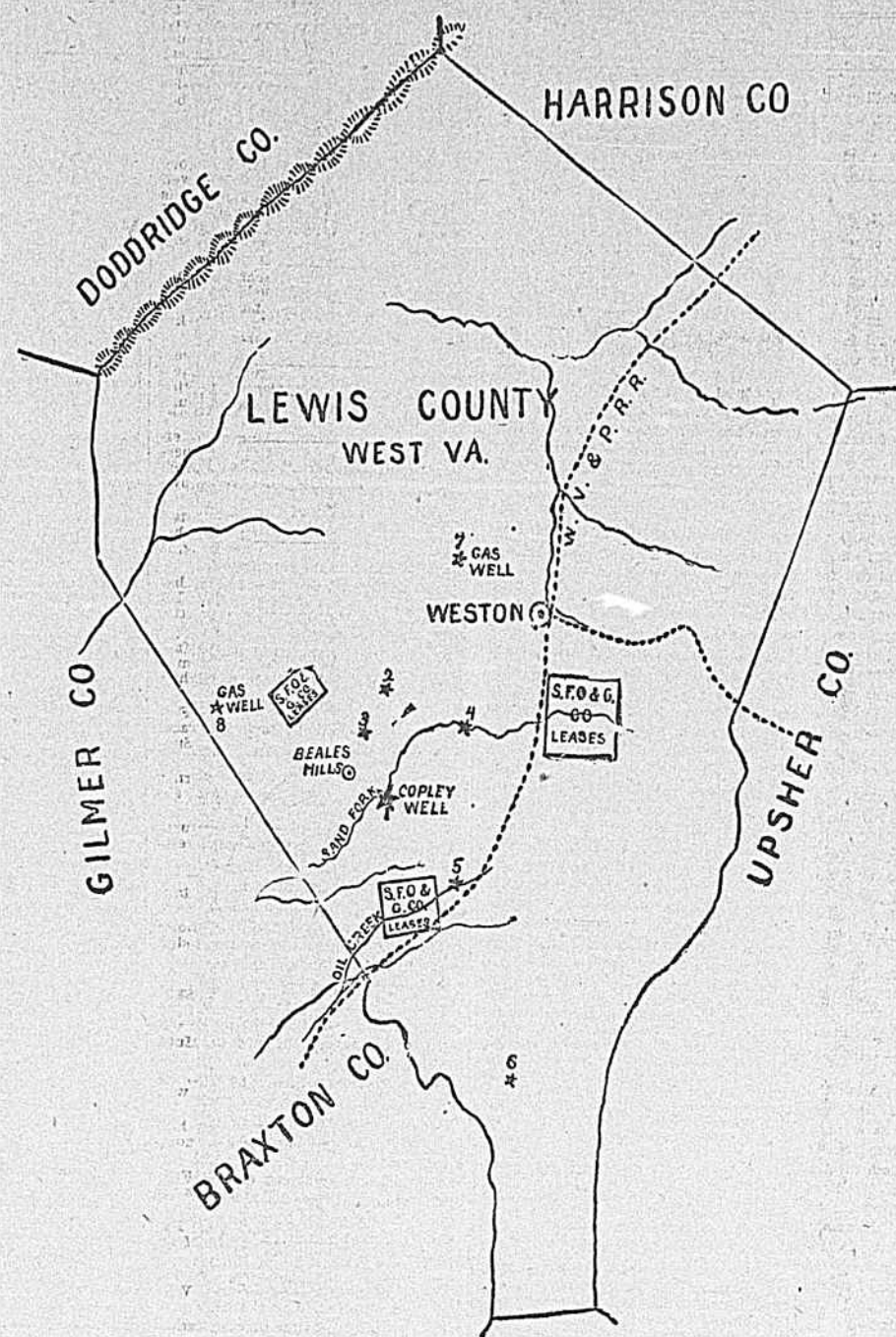
\$ 10 buys 20 shares, par value \$ 200  
\$ 25 buys 50 shares, par value \$ 500  
\$ 50 buys 100 shares, par value \$1,000  
\$100 buys 200 shares, par value \$2,000

For further particulars call or address

**Sand Fork Oil & Gas Co.,**

No. 303 Peabody Building,  
Wheeling, West Virginia....  
Telephone 1132.

## Map of Lewis County, W. Va., Showing Location of the Copley Gusher and the Sand Fork Oil & Gas Company Leases.



No. 1—The great 7,000 barrel gusher.  
No. 2—Cox well, drilled in June, 1900, still flowing 50 barrels per day.  
Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6—Now drilling.  
Nos. 7, 8—Valuable gas wells.  
□—Sand Fork Oil & Gas Co. Leases.



On Saturday evening, September 22, one of the greatest oil wells ever drilled was drilled into the sand down on Sand Fork Creek, in Lewis county, W. Va. The well started off flowing 7,000 barrels each day, and is still flowing 2,500 barrels each day. The well produced over \$200,000 in the first 30 days. Within 36 hours after the well began flowing, the promoters or organizers of the Sand Fork Oil & Gas Co. were on the ground securing leases. They secured 1,900 acres of choice property, well located and now very valuable.

A corporation has been formed under the name of the Sand Fork Oil & Gas Co. by W. L. Russell, prominent in oil circles; I. G. Dillon and Chas. N. Hancher, of the firm of Dillon & Hancher, the well known jewelers of Wheeling; Anson H. Russell, of Akron, Ohio, and Dr. W. W. McMullen, of Dillonvale, Ohio. These gentlemen constitute the board of directors, with W. L. Russell, president; I. G. Dillon, treasurer, and Anson H. Russell, secretary. The promoters and organizers of the company believe this to be one of the greatest opportunities to make a great deal of money from a small investment in Oil Property since the days of Pit Hole and Oil City. They want to give their friends and acquaintances a chance to make a paying investment. They feel confident the company will prove a financial success, that the stock will advance above par. The territory is well located in a new oil country that bids fair to rival the great oil fields of Pennsylvania. They believe the development of this property will prove to be one of the most valuable oil properties in the country.

Over \$100,000 of the \$500,000 stock offered has already been applied for without any solicitation whatever. The applicants only knew of the property and of the formation of the company.



## A GREAT SPEECH BY MR. WEEMS.

His Bellaire Effort Was One of the Finest Expositions of the Issues

### ON THE REPUBLICAN STUMP

Heard This Campaign — President McKinley's "Field Day" Message His Text.

The Republican gathering in Bellaire was a grand final rally for the cause of prosperity, and the crowd was larger than any one looked for. The J. J. Gill Club and the Mark Hanna Club, of Martin's Ferry, the Rough Riders from Benwood, the Blackburn Guards, the McKinley & Gill Club, all in uniform, with others not uniformed, formed an imposing procession, with the Uniform Rank band and Featherington's band, besides half a dozen drum corps to furnish the music. As soon as the visiting clubs arrived they were formed in line on Belmont street, and headed by a carriage in which were seated the speaker, Hon. C. L. Weems, the chairman of the meeting, James F. Anderson, County Chairman W. C. Bergundthal and Mat. Aldridge, the column proceeded over a short line of march, burning red fire and shooting Roman candles all along the line. There was enthusiasm galore, and the shouting for McKinley, the full dinner-pail and prosperity was lusty, strong and long.

The procession halted at the speakers' stand, where Chairman Anderson briefly presented Mr. Weems. There was some attempt, apparently organized, to interrupt the meeting, but Officer Bauer promptly took charge of one of the leaders and locked him up. This had a quieting effect on the others and they kept a respectful distance from the meeting to beat their tom-toms. It was a difficult place to speak from and Mr. Weems was careful of his voice, but he held the crowd well and sent some telling truths home with good effect. A handsome bouquet was on the speakers' stand, the gift of Emil Schmidt, proprietor of the Exchange, where the visitors stopped. The meeting wound up with enthusiastic cheering. Mr. Weems said in part:

**Weems' Great Effort.**  
"President McKinley in his message to the Republicans of the Ohio Valley on 'Field Day' at Wheeling, referred to sound money, a protective tariff and national honor as the issues of the campaign.

"So far as the money question is concerned, nobody wants to hear it discussed, for the reason that the people have made up their minds on that question, but it is important to make the victory for sound money no overwhelming that the money question will be re-

moved from politics. Money is but an instrumentality of business and the interests of our business men demand that an emphatic halt should be called on this dragging of the money question into the uncertainties and controversies of every congressional and presidential election. The known danger of 16 to 1 in case of Bryan's election would paralyze American business if it were not for the fact that nobody believes that Mr. Bryan will be elected. Judging by any standard of responsible statesmanship, the record of the Democratic party on the money question would seem to be a reproach to that organization. In its long lease of power before the war, it failed to provide any national currency, while one of the splendid achievements of the Republican party has been to make our currency in the language of James A. Garfield, "as national as our flag." In the closing days of the panic of 1873 the Democratic party in 1877 and 1878 was the opponent of redemption and the advocate of cheap money as in 1896. In both cases Democracy was defeated and each defeat of the Democracy was followed by gratifying and universal prosperity.

**The Tariff.**  
"So far as a protective tariff is concerned, to talk about protection is to talk about Bellaire, for Bellaire is a splendid object lesson on the subject of tariff. The only benefit which the free trader has ever promised our people is cheaper goods made abroad. But our people understand that such a benefit is bought at too fearful a price when that price is the idleness of our workmen here at home.

"The Ohio valley—this part of it—is taking signal rank as a manufacturing community. It has been developed by protection. I myself have stood by and watched the creation of two great new industries in the valley by the plain, direct, speedy, beneficent and powerful action of a protective tariff. Everybody knows the origin and history of the pottery industry. To-night from Bellaire to Rochester, it is one of the glories of the valley. Everybody has in mind likewise, the later history of our tin-plate industry. In 1892 the Democratic party effectively used the tin plate issue and decided the idea that we could make tin plate. This splendid glass club from Martin's Ferry, can tell you whether we can make it now.

**The Real Issue.**  
"The supreme question of this campaign is: Which party or policy will furnish the most work at the best wages to American labor. If you believe Mr. Bryan will do that you ought to vote for him. When the great army of American labor does well everybody else does well. Behind this pretense of anti-imperialism there loom up too large to be successfully hidden, the twin dangers to the American people of a currency revolution and free trade. For Mr. Bryan is a rabid free trader as well as silverite. "Mr. Bryan himself says that if elected, he will have his Congress establish stable government for the Philippines. Well, it may not suit Aguinaldo, and if he won't have it what will Mr. Bryan do, run, or fight? About the only fun I have got out of this canvass is to try to get an answer to that question. One interrupter in one of my audiences said

'He won't do either. He'll take to the woods.' However that may be, it is evident enough that if Mr. Bryan has a right to frame a stable government for the Philippines, his plattitudes about the rights of man vanish into thin air.

"Is it not evident enough also that our troubles in the Philippines originate in a legacy of hate and suspicion toward all white men which the Spaniards' bloody hand has left in the hearts of the Filipinos. The native of the Philippines knows civilized man from contact with the Spaniard alone. Is it not probable that within a few years the Filipinos will bless the day they came under American rule? They will know us better then than now.

**Democratic "Militarism."**  
"The Democratic party was the rampant advocate of militarism during the weeks of excitement that preceded the war with Spain. They insisted on war and condemned the President in unfair and unmeasured language for his slowness. The President is deeply conscientiously opposed to war. He felt the responsibility of power which always brings moderation with it.

"Moreover, the President foresaw and predicted that unheard of problems and conditions would come upon us with war, and this is exactly what has taken place. In dealing with these new conditions the President has displayed statesmanship of a high order, and Mr. Bryan long ago put himself out of court as to the settlement of the war. That settlement is contained in the peace treaty and Mr. Bryan got it ratified, Philippines and all.

"To the American people, the Republican party led by William McKinley, has given prosperity at home and victory and prestige abroad. Let them proclaim at the ballot-box on November 6th that an honest dollar, a protective tariff and a flag unsullied by retreat are still the cherished trinity of their political faith."

### TO A PASTEUR INSTITUTE

Goes Charles Pape, of Elm Grove, Who Was Bitten in the Leg by a Mad Dog at Elm Grove—Several Dogs Killed.

Elm Grove has been having a mad dog scare since last Friday, and it culminated yesterday, in the shooting of the dog which started the scare and several other dogs which had been bitten by the first dog attacked, all showing indications of the rabies.

The dog first attacked was a fine shepherd, belonging to Charles Pape, living near Elm Grove. The animal attacked its owner, biting him badly on the leg. Last evening Mr. Pape came to Wheeling and consulted a physician, who advised that he go to a Pasteur Institute for treatment. Mr. Pape left last evening for Baltimore, to enter the Pasteur Institute in that city. The dog also attempted to bite several children, but, fortunately, all escaped.

**Wanted in Pittsburgh.**  
Telegrams from Pittsburgh are calling for photographers at salaries ranging between \$45 and \$75 a month.

ELLIOTT SCHOOL, 1313 Market Street.

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## BOARD OF TRADE IS MAKING VERY GOOD PROGRESS.

The Committee Expects to be Able to Report Its Selection of Secretary

### AT A MEETING IN TWO WEEKS.

Several Industries Being Negotiated With, and Will Likely be "Landed."

The committee to which was intrusted the matters preliminary to the organization of the Wheeling board of trade, is hard at work, and expects to be able to report to a meeting of the subscribers within the ensuing two weeks.

The committee is now negotiating with several available men for the position of secretary of the board, and expects to be able to report its selection at the general meeting soon to be called. The committee is moving slowly in this matter of the secretaryship, realizing that the success of the board of trade movement depends altogether upon the wisdom of the choice of secretary.

The committee has already secured a West Virginia state charter for the board, and prepared by-laws and constitution, to be submitted with a recommendation for their adoption at the approaching general meeting.

Also, the committee is negotiating with several concerns that have expressed their desire to locate new industries of some magnitude in Wheeling, and it is expected they will be "landed" soon.

Owing to lack of time, the soliciting committee has not been able to see all the business people to secure subscriptions to the board of trade. The completion of this work, however, will be undertaken by the secretary soon to be chosen, and it is hoped all the business men will respond, as it is very desirable that the board of trade be made entirely representative of the business community.

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**Bar-Lock Typewriter Office.**

**R. R. KING, Manager.**

### BRIDGEPORT HAPPENINGS.

**Events of a Day in the Town at the End of the Bridge.**

The old soldiers of this city will be represented in the parade at Martin's Ferry this evening, in large numbers. A four-horse wagon has been secured to convey them to that city and large banners with the following inscription will adorn either side of the wagon: "Soldiers of the Civil War from '61 to '65." The old soldiers will occupy an honored position at the head of the first division.

The McKinley and Roosevelt marching club will turn out strong this evening for the parade at Martin's Ferry. They expect to have one hundred men in line.

The Democrats of this place will endeavor to have a parade this evening in honor of John O. Pendleton, who is to speak at Wheeling Creek.

An entertainment will be given at the Methodist Episcopal church Thursday evening, for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society.

A special meeting of the Ladies of the Maccabees will be held this evening, and all members are requested to be present.

Several hundred people from this city will attend the large Republican dem-

onstration at Martin's Ferry this evening.

T. L. Lewis returned to Pittsburgh yesterday, after a few days' visit with his family in this city.

Ollie Howells has gone to Pittsburgh where he has accepted a position with the Phoenix Rolling Mill Company.

The Rough Riders will turn out in full this evening in the street demonstration at Martin's Ferry.

Mrs. John Conway is very ill at her home on Pike street, with typhoid fever.

Miss Loretta Frazier has returned from a visit with relatives at Cleveland, where she has accepted a position with the Phoenix Rolling Mill Company.

William Higgins, of Cleveland, is the guest of his brother out the place. Thomas McGough went to Gloucester business yesterday.

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